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Name

Caryn Franklin

Topics and Title

Fashion & Styling Expert

Background History

Caryn Franklin has worked in fashion for 23 years as a writer, presenter, producer and director.

Formally a fashion editor and later co-editor of i-D magazine for 6 years, she began working in TV in 1984 in Channel 4's Swank, however she is best known for presenting the BBC's Clothes Show for 12 years and BBC's Style Challenge for 3 years.

During those years she also presented BBC's Tracks and Really Useful Show. For many years now, she has regularly appeared on GMTV, LK Today and This Morning as well as hosting her own programmes: Well Woman and Agony for Granada and The Frock and Roll Years for Carlton, also Planet Fashion, Granada 'Style Bible' for Border TV and 'Style Academy' for Discovery Home in 2005.

She has also produced four documentaries Vivienne Westwood, Philip Treacy, Fashion Targets Breast Cancer and Matthew Williamson with the makers of BAFTA for ITV as well as one on Agnes B for October Films. Having interviewed everyone from Giorgio Armani to Yves Saint Laurent, as well as having strong opinion about women and image, Caryn is also regularly asked to 'guest' as a recognised authority to a variety of other programmes like Trevor Macdonald, The Wright Stuff, I love the Eighties, Nineties, Lunchtime News, 6 O'clock News.

She has written for a variety of magazines including i-D, Time Out, Marie Claire, Sunday Times and Woman's Own. She has also written several books including Fashion UK, The Breast Health Handbook (a best seller) Franklin on Fashion and Woman in the Mirror (her first novel).

As well as lecturing at colleges like R.C.A, Central St Martins, and London College of Fashion and consulting for a variety of fashion brands, Caryn has co-chaired the award winning Fashion Targets Breast Cancer campaign with Amanda Wakeley, for ten years, raising millions of pounds, she has been instrumental in the Oxfam Clothes Code Campaign - travelling to the Dominican Republic for government and union talks.